

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>10 Mar 59</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Grand Bahama Island, West Indies</u>	12. CONCLUSIONS		
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>0900-0925Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE <u>Military</u>			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>25 mins</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>one</u>	9. COURSE <u>varied</u>	11. COMMENTS	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING FPS-8 Radar picked up obj which maneuvered & followed missile subsonic test from Patrick AFB at 0918Z. Obj converged on missile & scope then received returns of both missile & obj. WX clear & no interference.				

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TO COMDR ADC ENT AFB COLO

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COMDRNATIC WRIGHT PATTERSON AFB OHIO

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AP-6 SURVEILLANCE RADAR SCOPE LOCATED IN GRAND BAHAMA ISLAND
BETWEEN BAHAMAS. OBJECT MANEUVERED 50-70 MILES SOUTH SOUTHEAST
GRAND BAHAMA AUXILIARY AIR FORCE BASE ON HEADING OF 145 DEGREES.
OBJECT COMPLETED 2 LARGE CIRCLES AT SPEED OF 200 TO 300 KNOTS,
THEN COMPLETED FIGURE 8 MANEUVER. AT APPROX 0918Z SUBSONIC TEST
MISSILE PASSED OBJECT WHICH CONVERGED ON MISSILE ON INTERCEPT
COURSE OF 60 DEGREES. IMAGES ON RADAR SCREEN MERGED. MISSILE
DISAPPEARED FROM SCOPE SOUTH SOUTHEAST HEADING. OBJECT DISAPPEARED
GRADUALLY FROM SCOPE ON 60 DEGREE HEADING. UFO OBSERVED DISTINCTLY

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BY GROUND ELECTRONIC METHODS, OVER OPEN SEA FOR 25 MINUTES.
OBJECT SIGHTED AT NIGHT, NOTHING VISUAL, 0900Z DISAPPEARED 0925Z
10 MARCH 1959. SIGHTING MADE BY MR. ██████████ A TRAINED, EXPERIENCED
CIVILIAN CONTRACT EMPLOYEE OF AIR FORCE MISSILE TEST CENTER.
WEATHER CLEAR NO RADAR INTERFERENCE PROBLEMS. NO AIRCRAFT CONNECTED
WITH TEST AT TIME OF SIGHTING. RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE, PATRICK AIR
FORCE BASE, NO TRAFFIC IN AREA. MIAMI AIRWAYS ROUTE TRAFFIC
CONTROL QUERIED, NO TRAFFIC EITHER CIVILIAN OR MILITARY IN AREA.
INITIAL REPORT GIVEN CHIEF INTELLIGENCE BRANCH AT 1550Z. SEVERAL
RANGE SAFETY OFFICERS, BASE COMMANDER, GRAND BAHAMA AUXILIARY
AIR FORCE BASE, RADAR OPERATOR ALL FIVE IDENTICAL REPORT ON FACTUAL
INFORMATION. NO COMMENT ON POSSIBLE IDENTITY

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Classification Cancelled
OR Changed to UNCL
Auth AFR 205-1D
RePA 2-124 (ii)
By H. Quintana

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DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.	SUBJECT	W. Picklesimer	
	Request for Evaluation		
TO AFCIN-4E4g	FROM AFCIN-4E1	DATE 15 Apr 59	COMMENT NO. 1
		AFCIN-4E1a/W. Picklesimer/jc 74201/Bldg 828/Rm 241	

1. Reference is made to DF from your office, dated 31 Mar 59, subject as above. The following additional information is needed to make an evaluation of this report.

a. The type of missile and the object of the particular test including programmed range, altitude and speed, and whether on its prescribed course.

b. The location of any chase or observation aircraft and the assigned role of each.

c. The locations, type, and mission of any U. S. Naval units in the general area and especially any units on maneuvers.

2. The requested evaluation of the report will be made upon receipt of the above information.

RH Crawford
GORDON C. HOFEMAN
Colonel, USAF
AFCIN-4E1
for

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

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ACTION	ROUTINE			BOOK	MULTI	SINGLE	INFO	MTGRY-03-01-59	CONF								
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TO:	ATIC, W-P AFB, O AFMTC PATRICK AFB, FLA - RIESNO					VAULT											
<p>FROM: AFCIN-4E4g IC-40929</p> <p>YOUR MSG MTGRY -03-01-59, DTD 12 MAR 59, REQUEST THE FOLLOWING INFO TO ENABLE THIS CENTER TO BETTER EVALUATE THIS REPORT: WHAT WAS THE TYPE OF MISSILE FIRED AND THE OBJECT OF THE PARTICULAR TEST INCLUDING PROGRAMMED RANGE, ALTITUDE AND SPEED, AND WHETHER ON ITS PRESCRIBED COURSE. THE LOCATION, TYPE, AND MISSION OF ANY U. S. NAVAL UNITS IN THE GENERAL AREA AND ESPECIALLY ANY UNITS ON MANEUVERS. CHECK THE POSSIBILITY OF THE OBJECT BEING AN AIRCRAFT FROM ONE OF THE AIRFIELDS SOUTH OF FLORIDA.</p>																	
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